



CLEANING THE GROUNDS—Rafael Ro-side Community house. All the old shrub-man, Mrs. Will Hair and Nancy Parker bery was removed and the grounds raked busily clean the grounds around the Way- and mowed.

SCHOOL AND YOUR CHILD

By JOHN COREY

Here's How To Teach Kids The Police-Up Habit

Does your home appear as if a cyclone has just blown through after your children leave for school each morning?

Do pajamas, dirty socks, toys, candy wrappers, books, papers, pencils, crayons and numerous other items lie on the floors, all dropped by your kids right where they finished with them?

Has Mama's voice grown hoarse and disposition raw from continually pleading with her offspring to pick up their personal belongings and put them in place?

Have the youngsters, who are not really purposefully messy but just have more important things to do than be bothered with housekeeping chores, grown immune to Mama's verbal appeals?

And since Mama once took a psychology course, she's afraid to use a stronger measure to encourage their cooperation, such as a thick paddle whamming, because the method might warp their personalities.

If this situation exists at your home, consider the advice of Professor Eric B. DeGroat, of the health and physical education department at Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.

Professor DeGroat suggests you install a domesticated version of the old Army inspection in your home, which millions, while in the military, learned, hated and then grew to appreciate.

It works this way in the DeGroat home: Each of the two boys in the family is assigned an area of responsibility. One accounts for his personal room, bathroom, living room and den.

The other cares for his room, kitchen, utility room, and polices the outside lawn.

Each day before leaving for school, the two DeGroat youngsters prepare for inspection. This includes making up their beds, emptying trash cans, hanging up clothes and picking up everything from the floors that doesn't belong there.

They do little vacuuming and sweeping. Mother handles that. Their main job consists largely

of seeing that everything is in place. And this is a big help to mother.

The chore usually takes 15 to 20 minutes, depending on the boys' spirit in going about the work. When finished, they ask one or their parents for an inspection. Approval must be before they leave for school. And if Mom and Dad have to remind either to do his job, there's a penalty of 10 cents for each reminder.

If the DeGroat's inspection idea sounds good to you, they pass on these hints which may ease it into effect:

Begin the system when the youngster is young. Neatness then becomes habit, says Professor DeGroat. At first, overlook a few details. If Junior's bed isn't made too neatly, ignore it. But as he gains in experience and know-how, become stricter.

Implementation of the clean-up system isn't easy, warns Professor DeGroat, an ex-military officer, camp director and Sunday School teacher. Many wrinkles must be smoothed out. This takes time and much depends on you. Remember, giving a clean-up order is only 10 percent of getting the job done. Seeing that it's carried out requires 90 percent of your efforts.

But if successful, morning police-up in the home can pay many dividends. These may include:

—Developing work habits among youngsters that'll come in handy at home and school.

—Lightening mother's house-keeping work load.

—Giving the home a neater appearance.

—Teaching the children to be more neatness conscious. If picking up trash is their responsibility, they'll think twice before throwing it on the floor.

And if your kids, like many others, are over indulged in today's luxuries, possibly you might receive just a bit of fiendish delight in seeing them actually work!

(Editor's note: Readers having questions concerning education are invited to send inquiries to School and Your Child, Appalachian State Teachers Colleges, Boone, N. C.)



AFTER A HARD DAY there's nothing like a rest on the steps states Ruth Roman, daughter of the assistant home demonstra- community house yard.

ROCKFISH NEWS

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis

HOMECOMING

Tabernacle Baptist Church will have its annual Homecoming Sunday, October 16. The Rev. David E. Miller, a former pastor and now in Fayetteville, will be the guest speaker.

Following the service at 11 o'clock there will be an outdoor picnic lunch, the weather permitting. All former members and friends of the church are invited to attend.

At a church conference at Tabernacle Church Sunday, October 23, E. T. Brock, Ed Bundy and Homer Terry were elected to serve for the next three years as deacons.

The three new elders elected at Galatia Church last Sunday were, J. McN. Gillis, O. L. Townsend and Herman Koonce. Other officers will be elected Sunday and the next Sunday.

Revivals at Mt. Gilead Baptist

Church and Palestine Presbyterian Church are being held this week with the Rev. Scott Turner and the Rev. Charles Murray doing the preaching.

Robert Bundy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bundy, was seriously ill last week.

Mrs. Jimmy Wood came home Thursday after being a patient at Highsmith Memorial Hospital for a week.

Pittman Grove Church will have an ingathering on Friday, October 28 so be getting ready to enjoy some of their products and help a worthy cause.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. McKeithan gathered at the McKeithan home Sunday for a birthday dinner in honor of their father. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Willie McKeithan and son, Leon, Mrs. Melvin McDowell and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank

Stephens and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shockley. We wish for Mr. McKeithan many more happy birthdays, with no broken foot! He accidentally fell from the steps and broke two bones in his foot last week.

The fifth Sunday singing will be a Pittman Grove Church this month.

Mrs. Dave Koonce reports that her husband's brother, Hardy Koonce, who has been at Cain's Rest Home for sometime, is doing fine and may be able to visit there for a few days in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Monroe spent the past week end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cameron at Carolina Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Ritter spent the week end with their son-in-law and daughter, the Rev. and Mrs. John Garrison and son, Mark, of Harmony.

Wayne Monroe, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Monroe, surprised them by breaking out with a full crop of measles this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy McPhail had as their guests the first of this week Mr. and Mrs. Harry Logan of Asheville.

Guests of Mrs. Marshall Newton, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Newton and Cathy Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rosier and Miss Leslie Martin of St. Pauls.

Billy McKeithan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie McKeithan, has been a patient at Highsmith Memorial Hospital with a foot injury.

Fred Prevatte of Lumberton visited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McFadyen of Wayside Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Terry and sons, Robert and Lee had as their guest the past week end James Stephens of Hamlet. Mr. and Mrs. Terry and sons and their guest attended the Terry family reunion at the community building in Laurinburg Sunday.

The Homecoming at Philippi Sunday was well attended in spite of the gloomy weather. A song service was held after Sunday School and then a delicious picnic lunch was enjoyed on the church grounds.

Mrs. M. R. Knight's granddaughter, Cheri, and Benita Pickett of Fayetteville spent Sunday with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Garner and children of Robbins were dinner guests of Mrs. R. H. Gibson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fowler visited Mr. and Mrs. David Gibson of Shelby Sunday.

The Rev. Charles Murray, Misses Allie and Kate Black, J. A. Black, Mrs. Mary McInnis, Mrs. Ernest Capps, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Monroe and a number of others from Galatia Church attended the Cavalcade at Fort Bragg Thursday night.

4-H Club

At a meeting of the Rockfish 4-H Club Tuesday, October 11, Etiquette was discussed with the club members. Included in this was a demonstration on making introductions, meeting people on the street, manners at home and in restaurants and other tips on manners. Club members were also encouraged to enter exhibits in the County Fair which is to be held October 25-29. Exhibits should be entered October 24. The adult leader, Mrs. Paul Heath, was present for the meeting.

I went by the stores Tuesday a. m. to see how the Nail Keg Club was doing and there were no meetings at Wood's or Townsend's Stores. Someone said it was a little too early for the sessions to begin so I'm sure the most faithful members came

Blue Springs Happenings

By Mrs. Emmett C. Smith, Jr. Phone 2331

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Harris and Billy spent the weekend in Roxboro with Mrs. Harris' sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Featherston.

Billy Dalton and his wife, Geraldine, moved into their new home last week. Mrs. Lester McMinis who has been living in Fayetteville for a year or so but originally of this community is moving into the house Billy and Geraldine lived in Raeford.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Rierson spent Sunday in King visiting his mother who is ill.

Medford Tucker spent Sunday at Carolina Beach fishing.

Mrs. W. I. Strider had the misfortune of falling last week and injured her foot. She is confined to her home for many days.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hendrix visited James Thompson in Moore County Hospital Saturday night. He is reported as improving.

Emmett, Pam, Mack, Cindy, B. B. and I spent the weekend at Cherry Grove Beach. Too much rain for fishing but had the first look at a live shark caught in a fish net.

The Grange had a special meeting Tuesday night in the Fellowship Room of Bethel Church. New officers who were installed will be listed next week to give me time to get names right.

in later. The seats are not all Nail Kegs now but Irby's Exterminators bench makes a very insect proof seat altho not nearly as attractive sounding as Nail Kegs.

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THE problem of finding a place to hunt looms greater and greater with each new hunting season. In some areas, it's true, there is no problem. Plenty of "open" land is available. But, in some more thickly populated areas, the hunting enthusiast faces a real problem in finding available, "unposted" land.

Public shooting preserves each year become more popular with sportsmen who prefer to drive to a spot they know can be hunted for a fee, rather than risk being "run off" lands closer to home. The 1960-61 National Directory lists telephone numbers, and indicates counties in which preserves are situated. The pocket-size folder describes what hunters can expect at shooting preserves by way of game, services and facilities. It also outlines the advantages and pleasures of fee hunting.

Leading sporting goods stores should have copies of this handy directory. In some parts of the country motels, gasoline service stations, travel bureaus and automobile clubs have the folders. Leading American gun and ammunition makers will send copies upon request. In all instances, the directory is free.

If you cannot find a shooting preserve directory locally, a free copy may be obtained from: Sportsmen's Service Bureau, 250 East 43rd Street, New York 17, N. Y.

Last year, dense fog "grounded" southbound geese at Pittsburgh, N. H. The "wild" birds walked the streets and lawns, obligingly posed for pictures while they waited for better flying conditions.

Deer lead a hard life in these modern times—and they have more "enemies" than the hunter.

Garden Time

By M. E. GARDNER

"I like nectarines and buy them frequently in the super market, where they seem to command a rather high price. Can we grow this delightful fruit in North Carolina?"

Yes, we can, thanks to the plant breeders who have developed some good varieties adapted to the Eastern United States.

The nectarine is a smooth-skinned peach and not a peach-plum hybrid as is sometimes erroneously believed. As far as the tree is concerned, you probably could not tell a nectarine from a peach. The fruit differs from that of the peach primarily in lacking fuzz. The nectarine is usually a little smaller than the peach and the flesh is firmer. Some feel that it has a richer flavor than the peach and a more distinctive aroma.

The nectarine is subject to the same insect and disease pests which attack the peach and must be protected by following the spray calendar recommended for peaches and plums.

Most of the nectarines you buy on our markets are produced on the Pacific coast or in irrigated fruit-growing areas of South America.

As a result of carefully controlled breeding over a long period of years, four new nectarine varieties have been recently released by the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station.....Redbud, Lexington, Redchief and Cavalier.

All of the varieties are freestone and ripen over a period extending from the latter part of July to mid-August in the vicinity of Blacksburg, Va. This should correspond to the general Asheville area in North Carolina. In the Sandhills, the varieties would begin ripening about two weeks earlier.

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